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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Amend Claims 1-3, 6, 8, 9, 12-16, 21, 27 and 28 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing cooling water to a facility having equipment, the proper functioning of which requires cooling, said method comprising the steps of:

extending at least one pipe under a floor bottom of a water reservoir; and delivering ground water from under the floor bottom of the water reservoir through said at least one pipe to said facility for cooling of said equipment.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of filtering the ground water through a sand substrate of the floor bottom of the water reservoir before delivering thereof to the facility, the water reservoir being a water body selected from the group consisting of an ocean, sea, river and lake.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of forming at least one elongated tunnel under the floor bottom of the water reservoir; and

extending a first pipe within the at least one elongated tunnel, so that the first pipe terminates at a distance from a shore of the water reservoir.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the step of forming the tunnel includes one of trenching, horizontal directional drilling or tunnel shielding, the